

SITUATION REPORT NO. 17
INCIDENT NO. 2002-009
DATE: August 30, 2002 TIME: 12:05 p.m.

TO: Governor John Hoeven
State Capitol
Bismarck, ND 58505

1. NATURE OF DISASTER: Severe Summer Storms, Flooding - Severe thunderstorms have produced heavy rain, gusty winds, hail and flooding.
2. DEATHS AND INJURIES: Thus far, a total of five injuries, due to summer storm activity, have been reported to the State Emergency Operations Center (EOC).
3. DAMAGES: Walsh County officials report some residents of Lankin experienced basement seepage and that the city lift station had difficulty pumping excess water due to heavy rainfall on August 27-28. Residents in Pisek had water seeping into basements. Hail was reported in areas surrounding the cities of Fairdale, Hoople, Fordville, Adams, and Minto.

Rain came through the roof of the Park River Law Enforcement Office. Water that flooded the second floor seeped through the ceiling onto the first floor. Damage costs were estimated at \$4,000.

Minnkota Power Cooperative had one pole destroyed near Grafton.

The United States Department of Agriculture issued a Flash Situation Report indicating excessive rain, wind and hail in Walsh County on August 27-28 affected 220 farms and 511,490 acres of cropland. The amount of loss sustained is being assessed.

On August 30, the level of Devils Lake measured 1,447.22 feet and Stump Lake measured 1,413.70 feet.

4. RESOURCES:

LOCAL: No change from previous reports.

STATE: No change from previous reports.

FEDERAL: No change from previous reports.

5. VOLUNTEER ACTIONS: The Salvation Army has been providing snacks for those individuals assisting with debris removal and clean up.
6. MAJOR ACTIONS: Walsh County Public Works personnel have closed 15 road sites due to high water levels caused by excessive rainfall on August 27-28.

The Walsh County Health Department issued new releases about West Nile Virus and tetanus booster shots.

7. ASSISTANCE NEEDED: None requested at this time.

8. OUTSIDE HELP ON SCENE: No change from previous reports.
9. OTHER: Appropriate state, local and private entity emergency operations plans and procedures have been implemented.

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